

FINANCIAL.

The Merchants-Laclede National Bank

OF ST. LOUIS.

Capital, \$1,400,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits, 500,000.00

FISCAL AGENT FOR THE STATE OF MISSOURI
UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY.

Interest paid on Time Certificates of Deposit.
Letters of Credit issued available in all parts of the world.

St. Louis Trust Co.
N. W. Cor. Fourth and Locust Sts.
CAPITAL AND SURPLUS. - \$5,000,000.
INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

The Most Modern Safe Deposit Vaults in the West.
Boxes for Rent, \$5.00 and Upwards.

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THIRD ANNUAL FIELD DAY

\$340,000

The National Bank of Commerce in St. Louis

WILL BE HELD

THURSDAY, OCT. 10th, 1901, 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

AT THE GROUNDS OF THE

St. Louis Amateur Athletic Association,

Forest Park.

Patrons and Friends of the Bank are invited
to Be Present.WHITAKER & COMPANY,
Successors to WHITAKER & HODMAN,
BOND AND STOCK BROKERS,
300 N. FOURTH ST.

INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Monthly circular containing list of local securities
mailed on application.

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SPECULATORS PLAYING
THE MICAWBER ROLE.

TRADERS WAITING FOR SOMETHING TO TURN UP.

Wall Street Lifeless, Claims of the
Bull Clique Having No Effect
on Prospective Buyers.

New York, Oct. 9.—The same doubt and hesitation regarding the future course of prices were reflected in to-day's stock market as in yesterday's. The speculation was lifeless and apathetic, and the sentiment of the small traders, whose operations made up the market, underwent many variations. Few active stocks showed a net change of as much as a point, even where the day's range was considerable. The position was to close up contracts, both on the long and the short side, until the future course of prices outlined its more definitely. This tendency was demonstrated in the recent Brooklyn Trade, when of Atchison the purchases in all exceeding the sales by about 100 shares.

Many rumors were current during the first half of the day, but nothing definite was learned from the market last night, that was interpreted unfavorably under the current comment, especially in the disclosure that the treasury bonds had been sold during the day, and the stock price advanced and resisted an attempt on the part of professional traders to depress the price. The stock advanced at one time 2½, showing the most conspicuous strength in the market.

Atchison Would Not Boom.

The increase in the Atchison dividend rate, although confidently predicted in some quarters, had been denied with equal confidence in others. In fact the matter seemed to have been discussed and finally decided at the meeting of the directors.

The attempt to advance the stock on the announcement proved abortive, the extreme rise over last night reaching less than a point and the net gain only ¼. The doubt over the predicted advance was due to the fact of the shortage in the corn market.

Some of the other Southwestern railways were offered down sharply, as though to emphasize this view. The estimate of the year's wheat crop by an agricultural department of the U. S. government, and at 100,000,000 bushels for Kansas alone, was an opportunity offset to this contention.

The junior Vanderbilts were sold early in the day, but taking a decline of 20 points on the first, and losing all the gain made late yesterday. Some of the stocks in the market, in the opinion of the Bull Clique, had been sold, but this did not induce any buying of these stocks.

There was no unsettling of loans to-day, and money on call was well supplied, during the greater part of the day at 5 per cent.

Strong Money Market.

Sterling exchange was notably strong to-day, and the market was reported as fairly touching 40. This is the highest point since the pound sterling above the gold import point. Sumner and Amalgamated Companies' active, dried rather uncertainly, but with a marked irregularity, Norfolk and Western was bid up nearly 2 points at one time, on the assumption that it would accumulate the stock has been for a number of Pennsylvania rail road interests. The market closed irregular.

There was a sharp break in Washabu de-venture B bonds. The market otherwise

was very quiet throughout the day.

The election of an additional Standard Oil director gave the U. S. Pacific Board of Directors a vote of confidence, and the bull party hastened to take up the speculation for an immediate advance. Danger that money burrries may still intervene to stop the interior movement of currency terminated.

Foreign Exchange.

Reported to French, Bro. & Co., No. 214 North Fourth street.

Prime sterling cables, 4½ per cent; checks 4½ per cent.

Commercial sterling cheques, 4½ per cent.

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